

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Attendees, Date and Type of Interview

The interview was conducted by phone on May 17, 2010 and attended by Examiner Victor Nguyen and Applicant's representative, Thomas R. Arno.

Exhibits and/or Demonstrations

None.

Identification of Claims Discussed

Claims 17 and 23.

Identification of Prior Art Discussed

Cragg, Biegeleisen

Proposed Amendments

Applicant proposed amending the claims to clarify the damage caused with the claimed method.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

Applicant argued the prior art devices and methods cited by the Examiner do not damage the vessel wall as claimed. Applicant also argued that one of ordinary skill in the art would not combine Cragg with Biegeleisen in the manner asserted by the Examiner.

Results of Interview

Applicant agreed to submit a written response to the Office Action including claim amendments to further specify the claimed vessel damage.